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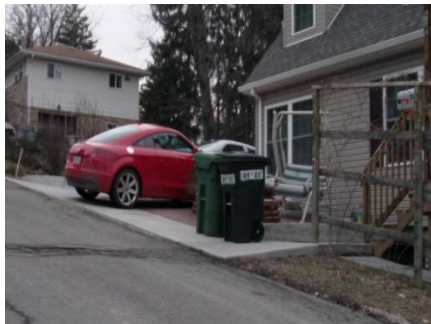
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### Trash Enforcement Increased to Beautify City

*Litter prevention a priority for Morgantown*

MORGANTOWN – The City of Morgantown strives to become a more beautiful city through the help of residents by asking them to adhere to the Solid Waste, Litter Prevention, Property Maintenance codes.



As of March 2013, the City instated Litter Prevention Officers within the Code Enforcement Division and the Parking Authority whose mission it is, along with the Police Department, to make sure citizens are following the trash removal system in Morgantown.

All residents of Morgantown are required to use trash services provided by Republic Services, previously known as Allied Waste. Additionally, residents hold two main responsibilities in the efforts to keep Morgantown clean: all homeowners, residents, including those in rental units, and businesses must make sure their toters are only on the curb near the residence during the correct time frame, and ensure that all trash is properly stored.

Toters may be placed at the curb after 6 p.m. the night before removal, and are to be brought back to an area that is not in the front yard or the front porch and not visible to the general public before 9 p.m. the evening of the Service Day.

Trash (garbage and non-recyclables) placed outside *must* be in a bag, and the bag *must* be in a toter or trash can. If you do not have enough cans to house all of the unit's trash and garbage, then additional trash cans will need to be obtained.

A citation can be issued to those who litter or are found not following the correct placement for toter bins, or if trash is improperly stored. Examples of this include

broken trash bags, loose garbage, overflowing cans, or a building of excessive waste in the totter storage area. The fine ranges from \$50 to \$500 per incident, and those citations can accrue daily until the issue is resolved.

Residents living in a home or dwelling unit that does not provide an area to keep totters out of public view may obtain a waiver with proper approval from the City Manager.

Also, please verify the validity of any Code Enforcement Official Notice that you receive by checking to ensure that it features City letterhead, the words "Official Notice," as well as the signature of a code enforcement or police officer.

City Administration appreciates your understanding and assistance to keep Morgantown attractive, free from litter, and safe.

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